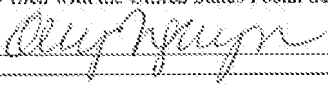


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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 14, 2006. A 3-month extension of time is filed herewith extending the deadline for response to January 14, 2006 which falls on a Sunday (the next business day being Tuesday, January 16, 2007). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the Remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** are on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are on page 6 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.